

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 7, 8, 11-14, 22-24, 26, 29, 30, 32, 36-39, 60, 62-64, 67, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80-87, 90-101, 103, and 105-124 are pending in the application. Claims 5, 6, 9, 10, 15-21, 25, 27, 28, 31, 33-35, and 40-57 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Non-elected dependent claims 4, 58, 59, 61, 65, 66, 68-71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 88, 89, 102, and 104 also are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants elect Species A (claims 1, 3, 7, 8, 11-14, 22-24, 26, 29, 30, 32, 36-39, 60, 62-64, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80-86, 94, 95, 97, 105, 107, 111 and 112), as set forth by the examiner.

Applicants point out that the examiner has made no mention of claims 67, 88-89, 96, 98-100, 102, 104, 106 and 108. Applicants also point out that claims 96, 98-100, 106, and 108 fall under the elected Species A, as set forth by the examiner. Accordingly, upon rejoinder of claims 96, 98-100, 106, and 108, elected Species A include claims 1, 3, 7, 8, 11-14, 22-24, 26, 29, 30, 32, 36-39, 60, 62-64, 67, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80-86, 94, 95-97, 98-100, 105-108, 111 and 112.


Claims 95, 97, 99, and 107 are amended by deleting the term "below or" in accordance with the elected Species A, as set forth by the examiner. Claim 94 is amended to correct informalities. Claims 113-124 are new. New claims 113-124 fall under the elected Group A. Support for the new claims can be found throughout the specification, see for example, page 4, lines 5 to page 5 line 2; page 29, lines 20-27; page 34, lines 9-17; pages 35-36; page 65, line 24 to page 66, line 6; and Examples 16, 34-37, and 40. Therefore, no new matter has been added.

A first office action on the merits is awaited. The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 416-6800 should there be any questions.

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